



NROs Update

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Statistics on reports regarding the Description of the NPPO on the IPP (data valid 31 August 2015)

| Description of the NPPO | | | | January-August 2015 | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Region | Number of contracting parties | Number of reporting parties | Number of reports | New | Updated |
| Africa | 49 | 26 | 39 | 3 | 2 |
| Asia | 25 | 13 | 18 | 0 | 2 |
| Europe | 45 | 29 | 38 | 1 | 5 |
| Latin America & Caribbean | 33 | 20 | 47 | 4 | 5 |
| Near East | 15 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| North America | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| South West Pacific | 13 | 13 | 23 | 7 | 7 |
| Total | 182 | 105 | 171 | 15 | 21 |

| Description of the NPPO | | August 2015 | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------|
| Region | Reporting party | New | Updated |
| Africa | - | 0 | 0 |
| Asia | - | 0 | 0 |
| Europe | - | 0 | 0 |
| Latin America & Caribbean | Guatemala | 0 | 1 |
| Near East | - | 0 | 0 |
| North America | - | 0 | 0 |
| South West Pacific | Samoa, New Zealand | 1 | 1 |

The Year of "the Organization of the NPPO"

This series of newsletters Vol. 2 (01-12) will be published from April 2015 to March 2016 and will focus on the objectives and functioning of NPPOs. Please make sure you read them all.



The Description of the NPPO – add a new report or replace the old one?

When you are considering the creation of the new report to fulfill the NRO – Description of the NPPO, please consult reports posted previously by your country under this heading.

National Reporting Obligations

- + Add new **Description of the NPPO** ←
- + Add new Legislation: Phytosanitary Requirements/Restrictions/Prohibitions
- + Add new Entry Points
- + Add new List of Regulated Pests
- + Add new Official Pest Reports
- + Add new Organizational Arrangements of Plant Protection
- + Add new Rationale for Phytosanitary Requirements
- + Add new Non-compliance
- + Add new Pest status
- + Add new Emergency Actions



It is more useful and advisable to edit the existing report by clicking on the button: "Edit" to the right of the report's title than to create a new report. In this way no outdated information remains directly visible on the IPP regarding the description of your country's NPPO, and no obsolete data is counted as a report in the statistics. If you need to change the title of a report please contact the Secretariat (ippc@fao.org or dorota.buzon@fao.org). All previous versions of your report are archived as dated revisions.

If you still feel a creation of a new report is needed, you can do so by using the button "Add new".



Description of the NPPO from **Australia** ← Go back

| Title | Report files | Publication Date | Last Updated | |
|--|--------------|------------------|--------------|--|
| 2013 Description of Australia's NPPO | Fa | 04 Oct 2013 | 10 Jul 2015 | + Add new Edit |
| Sea Container Risk Management Policy (SCRMP) | | 01 Nov 2010 | 09 Nov 2010 | Edit |

Did you know?

The OCPs are responsible for the information exchange in the plant health area. Please widely distribute the NROs UPDATE among your colleagues and employees in order to raise awareness on National Reporting Obligations. Feedback from NPPO and contracting party personnel suggests many of them would like to read the NRO Update but do not receive it.



The IPPC Regional Workshops and NROs

In this year's edition of the IPPC Regional Workshops, a half day has been dedicated to the NRO exercise. Before the meeting, participants receive a pre-training exercise to introduce them to the NRO elements. During the meeting participants follow a group exercise on NROs which includes an analysis of reports brought by participants to the Workshop. The exercises are meant to:

- ◆ focus on the importance of the IPPC Official Contact Points,
- ◆ ensure that existing (already available) reports are identified as NROs and posted on the IPP,
- ◆ ensure that a way forward is established to keep the IPPC Official Contact Point's details up-to-date and ensuring NROs are updated.

The participants are requested to complete an NRO Action Plan in terms of reporting: (a) changes to the OCP, (b) the Description of the NPPO and (c) the List of Entry Points. So far 2 workshops have taken place: a workshop for the Pacific held in Fiji in July and the workshop for Eastern Europe and Central Asia held in Bykovo at the beginning of September. Participants highly appreciated the results of the activities of the workshop and shared a significant amount of information in terms of national reporting obligations. However, it is essential that participants complete the necessary pre-training exercise before each workshop.

The summary of the IPP editors' verification exercise

In August 2015, the IPPC Secretariat contacted (by email) IPPC Contact Points who appointed the IPP editor or editors in the past requesting them to confirm their validity and their email addresses. In cases where the Contact Point wished to appoint a new editor (as a replacement of the previous one or a new one), they were asked to provide the IPPC Secretariat with the completed nomination form.

Of 122 countries, 52 have replied to the request so far. As a result 20 new editors were registered and 26 obsolete editors were deactivated. In comparison, in the period January – July 2015, only 5 new editors were registered and no information was received regarding the inactive editors.

If it has not been done so far, you can still send the information regarding the IPP editors to the Secretariat (ippc@fao.org or dorota.buzon@fao.org).

Changes among Contact Points in August 2015

In August 2015, the following countries and territories nominated new Contact Points:
Afghanistan, American Samoa, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Vanuatu.



Think before your travel – understand the consequences of your actions

How often do we travel and buy wooden curios, flowers or agricultural products to take home to your friends and family? THINK before you do this – you could be taking pests back to your country that could result in a very significant negative economic, food security or environmental impact.

Prevention is better than cure
Be responsible for your actions!

THE ACRONYM FINDER

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|-------|---|
| CP | IPPC Contracting Party |
| CPM | Commission on Phytosanitary Measures |
| FAO | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations |
| IPP | International Phytosanitary Portal (www.ippc.int) |
| IPPC | International Plant Protection Convention |
| NPPO | National plant protection organization |
| NROs | National Reporting Obligations |
| NROAG | National Reporting Obligations Advisory Group |
| OCP | Official Contact Point of a Contracting Party to the Convention |
| RPPO | Regional plant protection organization |

USEFUL LINKS

The role of the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/role-ippc-official-contact-points/>

A nomination form for the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ippc-official-contact-point-notification-form/>

A nomination form for the IPP editor

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ipp-editor-nomination-request-nppos/>

"User and Editor Guide to the IPP" (2013) and Guide to the IPP (Module IV) NEW VERSION (February 2015)

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/user-and-editor-guide-international-phytosanitary-portal/>
<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/80405/>

General info on NROs

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/>

NROs UPDATE: previous editions

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-official-contact-point/>
<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-organization-of-the-nppo/>

Summary of NRO reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/>

List of IPPC Contact Points

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/contactpoints/>

Summary of pest reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/pestreport/>



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